

## ONE CENT ESTATE IS AMONG MANY AWAITING CLAIMS

Dry as Sahara in its statistical tables, there appears in the City Record to-day

### DO YOU ENJOY EATING

Or Does Everything You Eat Distress You?

Experts declare that the reason stomach disorders are so common in this country is due to hasty and careless habits of eating. Stomach troubles and run-down conditions also usually go together.

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the report of William M. Hoes, Public Administrator of the County of New York, a report that teems with human interest and stamps indelibly upon New York its title of "The Port of Missing Men."

The report, made to the Board of Aldermen, was not written to tell the world story that can be read between its lines. It simply carries, through four pages of the City Record, the list of men and women who, dying mysteriously in New York, without known kin or friends, have had their property delivered to the Public Administrator for accounting.

From the rivers and ponds, from under trains and street cars, from hall bed rooms, from hotel suites, these men and women have been taken, their estates turned over to Mr. Hoes for administration. All alone in New York, lost in the maze of the city, they did not have even friends to take charge of the property they left.

"ESTATES" RANGE FROM A CENT TO \$14,000.

And so more than \$250,000 passed in 1912 into the hands of the Public Administrator, in sums ranging from 1 cent to \$14,000, and all of it came from men and women who had been swallowed up in "The Port of Missing Men."

From the Department of Charities, the "estate" of Frank Dehm, homeless and friendless, was delivered to the Public Administrator and legal tomes were made out to administer it. When he died, Frank Dehm was possessed of just one cent. Poor Thomas O'Hare left thirty cents as his total possession; John McDevitt, thirty-one cents; Francis Kirk, five cents; Louis Blazette, ten cents; James Meagher, five cents—and so they run. Yet, the belongings of each of these unfortunate men were administered by law, and a determined effort made to discover the heirs, if one there be, to whom may be delivered the property and money found.

But not all those men and women who, without kin or friends, pass away their days in this "Port of Missing Men" die in poverty, as columns of the report show. Alfred Bulling, a baker, born in England—that's all the life history the Public Administrator knows of him—left \$14,735 when his end came.

He heads the list in wealth of those who died alone. Frank Turner, 37 Turner—even his name is in doubt—had saved \$9,000, and hadn't a friend in the world, it seems, to whom to leave it. His relatives later were discovered and the money paid over to them.

Of those unfortunates who left more than \$10,000, women head the list. Perhaps they were for more than the friends and business men whose belongings found their way into the official hands of the Public Administrator.

SUICIDES IN MOST CASES, LEFT LITTLE.

A vast majority of the men and women who died alone in New York were not American citizens. England, Germany and Ireland head the countries that have sent men and women into the "Port of Missing Men" to die. Of the entire list, not more than a score were natives of the United States. The birthplace of many is marked "unknown." Even the place of their nativity have been concealed by these men and women who fled here, to work—and die.

It was from the Board of Coroners that the smallest sums were received by the Public Administrator. Men and women who have ended their lives have

mostly been in want. There are scores of records such as this in the report: "Unknown man, fifty-ninth street and N. R. (North River) five cents; 'Unknown man, Central Park, one cent.' Not even a name left—and penniless. Homeless men and women who died in Bellevue Hospital left only \$14.50 during the year, though they numbered more than a hundred. Penniless, they died as wards of the city.

Though more than forty died in the House of Relief, their total estates amounted to exactly \$25.44.

IOWA'S BAN ON \$100 HATS.

Too Much Money for Women to Pay, Is Decree of Legislature.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 23.—One hundred dollars is too much to pay for a hat and "hobby" may decline to pay the bill with impunity, the lawmakers of this State have decided.

The milliner and the wife will in such cases settle their affairs without dragging the wage earner in the provision. On the other hand, the husband who buys a diamond ring on credit and after presenting it to his wife further presents her with the bill will have to placate the jeweller himself and without the aid of his life partner.

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